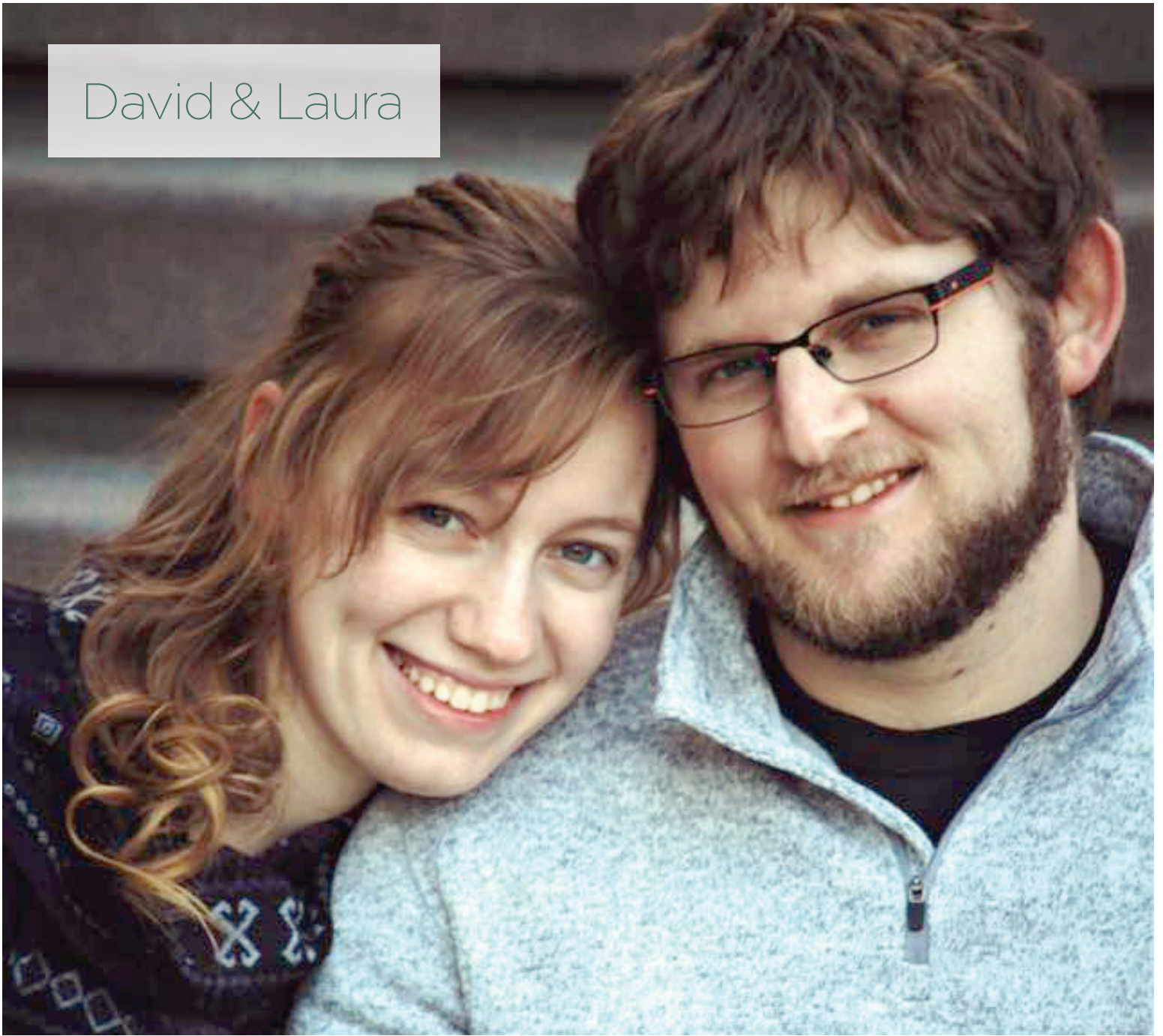


David & Laura



# Hello!

**Thank you for taking time to learn about our family!**

We admire your courage and strength as you consider the best way forward for you and Baby. We are praying for you along this journey – that God will hold your heart and guide you as you make these important choices. We are honored you are considering us as part of your journey!

This book is a look into our family and what life is like in our home.

**Welcome to our world...**

David & Laura 





# Our life together...



David was born and raised in a suburb of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Laura was raised on a farm near a small town in South Dakota. We met in 2012 through our church. We starting dating in 2015 and *from the very start, we have always just felt so comfortable together – like we'd always known each other.* We inspire each other to try hard and keep improving our choices, habits, and characters. We are a team and we help each other.

**People describe us as responsible and respectful, dedicated and dependable; they notice that we have shared goals and talk through decisions so our actions are in unison.**

They say we are loving and supportive of each other, as well as our friends and families. We love each other deeply and also love to laugh - a lot!

***Our favorite thing is spending time together:*** That might mean watching college football, playing cards or board games, exploring new foods, or even relaxing with a favorite TV show or movie – like some British Comedies, or a Star Wars or Lord of the Rings marathon. We truly enjoy each other's company – when we're traveling on a new adventure, working on a huge project, or doing every-day-life kind of things, we just love being together!





# Laura

by David

♥ Travel  
Music  
Reading  
Baking  
Family



***Laura is the most remarkable person I've ever known.*** Her fierce love and commitment to me, her family, and the kids she teaches is truly inspiring. I know she will have the same love and commitment—if not even more—for our child.

She is an avid reader and collector of books—especially children's books! I don't know how many times she's come home with boxes of books from library sales. It always warms my heart when we're down in Oklahoma visiting my family and I catch her reading to my nieces and nephews. ***I'm excited for her having the opportunity to share her passion for reading with our child.***

She also LOVES playing music, dancing, and drawing. It's always great to hear her play the piano or see what she's drawn. It's also fun when she holds a drawing/coloring contest with our family (even though I never win). We always have a million laughs and I can't wait for our child to take part in these fun activities. She also LOVES to travel. It seems like she's always planning our next trip! Whether it's a simple day trip or an overseas excursion, she's always got wanderlust. ***She (me too!) is super excited to take our child with us on our many adventures.***

Laura is an orchestra teacher who is absolutely adored by her kids and their parents. ***She has always gotten high praise from her coworkers and her principals for how she connects and builds relationships with her students.*** That's what inspires me most about her—how well she can connect with kids. She always knows exactly what to say to encourage and support them. I'm very proud when I hear how parents and other teachers talk of how kids see her classroom as a safe place where they can be loved and understood.

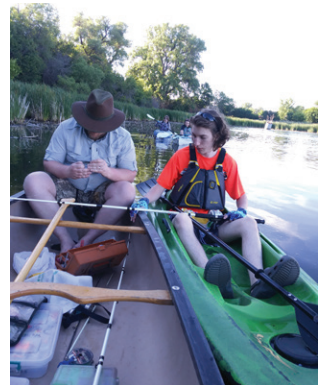
**I know she will be a great mom  
who will make our child feel safe, valued, and inspired.**



# David

by Laura

♥ Cooking  
Music  
Camping  
Building Things  
College Football



## David is the sweetest guy I've ever met – he has such a servant's heart!

His selfless kind of love inspires me & teaches me that Love is a verb. *I can't wait to see him pass on these qualities to our child.*

He is an amazing cook, a patient teacher, and is incredibly kind and supportive. He has such a fun sense of humor and likes to make people smile. If I'm ever having a hard day, David will have some funny story or joke to help me feel better. He can always make me laugh! I know it's going to melt my heart to hear our child giggle from his antics.

*David connects well with children and has a great time playing games, camping, fishing, and exploring the world with our siblings, nieces, and nephews.* He loves

science, history, and music and loves to share those passions with others by traveling to museums and historic sites as well as playing and singing music in the home. He also has a soft spot for 80's sitcoms.

David is an accounting supervisor for the group of universities in the state of South Dakota. He is well respected by his employers and coworkers and is loved and cherished by our families. *He is a hard-working, laid back, friendly kind of guy who tries to keep the peace.* He has a ready smile and hands that are quick to give assistance.

**He's a real treasure and will make a fun and loving dad!**



# Family



We have family in South Dakota and Oklahoma. We get together with them all regularly and the time is always filled with laughter, tasty food, and making sweet memories. ***Both sides are very supportive and love kids – everyone is excited to welcome a new addition!***

On Laura's side of the family, there are her parents, three brothers, a niece and nephew, and Laura's little sister, Rachel – her best friend. Most of the family lives on a little hobby farm in South Dakota. ***With all the cows, goats, chickens, kittens, and dog, it's like visiting a petting zoo!*** They have a fruit orchard and a big garden that we get to help plant, tend, and of course, eat the harvests – we are so excited to share this and other “farm life” experiences with our child.



David's family lives in the suburbs of Oklahoma City in a safe and sleepy neighborhood. There are tons of great opportunities in the area and fun, exciting play spaces for kids to visit. ***We love exploring new places with the nieces and nephews and look forward to taking our child to places like the Zoo, Parks, and Science Museums.*** Several members of David's family have come through adoption. We are glad that our child will have others in the family who all have this in common!



# Faith

Another big part of our life is our Faith. *We love celebrating holidays with family and friends and making them special occasions.* We have lots of fun traditions that we look forward to all year: Baking cookies, making candies, shopping for gifts, and special music.



Besides the fun of traditions and holidays, our faith encourages and compels us to help those around us and live in gratitude for all our blessings. It keeps us grounded through hard times and gives us hope for brighter days. Our faith reminds us that we are chosen and loved by our Creator and King. *We can't wait to mirror that love and acceptance to our child - To show them through our actions, words, and deeds that they are precious, chosen, and loved forever, no matter what!*







# This is home!



***Our home is four-years old and we built it ourselves!*** (With a little help from friends and family) David is really handy and talented with tools. We are pretty proud of how it turned out: It has four bedrooms and a big backyard with a large family room and cozy kitchen-dinning space for gathering and memory making. ***It is located in a quiet neighborhood with other young kids and a park directly across the street.*** Laura's brother, niece, and nephew live in the same neighborhood and have many impromptu visits!



## Lucy & Watson



Lucy is a four-year-old Catahoula-Lab mix. We got her as a rescue pet on July 4th of 2019. She is a sweet pup and utterly devoted to David.

- Duty: Defending house from squirrels, gophers, and rabbits
- LOVES to go for drives...anywhere!
- Running, running, running
- Will snatch Watson's food if no one's looking
- Only sleeps if next to David's bedside at night
- A Good Girl.

Watson has a relaxed personality and has to be right next to Laura all the time. He always seems to know when it is meal time and reminds you if it's getting too late.

- Mummy's sidekick
- Loves Snuggles and Snowy Days
- Likes Treats, Meeting new friends, & Playing tug with his rope
- Resists Baths
- Interested in whatever you're doing
- 100% will "Boop" if asked



# What we can offer a child

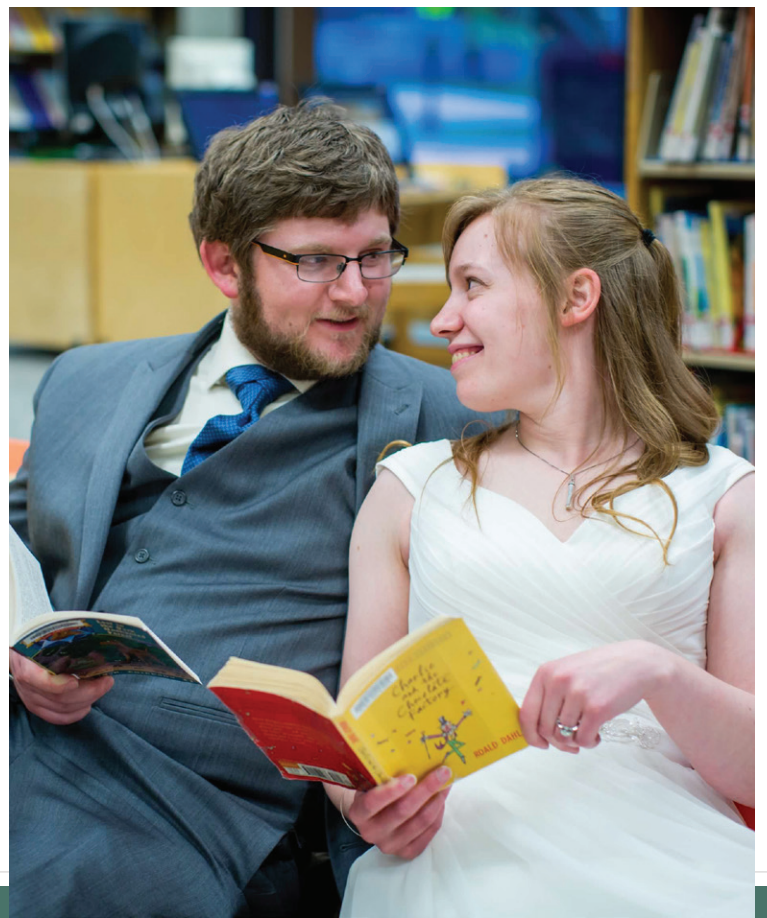


We look forward to guiding our child and watching them grow into their best self.

**We want to raise our child to have strong core values of honesty, integrity, kindness, and empathy; how to notice those in need and to help them.**

As much as Laura loves teaching and connecting with her students, we have always dreamed of her being a stay-at-home mom for our child. She plans to retire from her classroom and focus her time and love on the baby. We are so excited to move into this new stage of life.

Both of us are college graduates so we value a quality and thorough education. We will do what we can to provide that for our child with regular areas of study along with things like music, art, and sports.





# Our thoughts on adoption

*We are so excited to grow our family through adoption.* At the start of our marriage, we assumed we would be able to have children biologically; however, God had other plans. *As we began to research adoption, we felt more and more confident that this was what God wanted for us – to meet an incredible expectant mother and learn from her bravery and selfless love.*

Adoption is an amazing, beautiful, bitter-sweet, and profound act of love. *We cannot imagine what your story is, but we are honored you are considering us to be a part of it; considering us to care for and nurture the unexpected miracle you are carrying.*



As our child grows, we will always tell them of your deep love, your selfless care, your immense courage, and your strength. *You are an incredible person – you are so brave to consider the best life for your child and placing for adoption.*

We are so eager to meet you and get to know you. We would love to communicate or meet in person when and how you decided. We want to be there for you however we can. *After placement, we would love to stay in touch with photos and texts, as you are comfortable, so you can see how Baby is growing.*







# Thank you!

**Thank you again for taking time to look into our world - at what life could be like for baby.**

We are honored to be considered and pray you find the perfect family with whom to place your baby: The family match that sparks joy and peace in your soul! We also pray for you and your heart during this unexpected journey - that God would protect and provide for all your needs. You are loved. You are valued. You are special and beautiful. We are grateful for you!

Our hearts are so ready to embrace this little miracle!

Many Blessings to you,

David & Laura 

